

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA**

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TECHNO ENTREPRENEURSHIP PARKS
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Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has set up Techno-Entrepreneurship Parks in various States;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government is considering to set up more such parks in the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise, UT-wise including Union Territory of Andaman and Nicobar Islands; and
- (e) the time by when these are likely to be set up?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EARTH SCIENCES (KAPIL SIBAL)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. The Government has set up Technology Entrepreneurship Parks in various States under different programmes and schemes of various Departments and Ministries. The Department of Science and Technology has promoted Science and Technology Entrepreneurs Parks (STEPs) established in academic institutions having R&D base. The Department of Biotechnology has promoted Biotechnology Parks. The State-wise list of STEP's and Biotechnology Parks are given in Annexure I & II respectively. The Department of Information Technology under Ministry of Communication and Information Technology has promoted Software Technology Parks of India (STPIs) with a view to offer single window clearance to software technology units. The State-wise list of STPIs is given in Annexure – III.

(c) to (e): The proposals for setting up Science and Technology Entrepreneurship Parks (STEPs) & other similar Parks are periodically received by different Ministries and Departments concerned and are considered in accordance with the stipulated guidelines. No such proposal has been received from Union Territory of Andaman and Nicobar Islands.